

2005 Offshore Hurricane Readiness and Recovery Conference

Pipeline Breakout Session – Report Out

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Observations

- 1. Failure modes in general were typical, but there were some significant exceptions: large lateral movements and extents and a problem with one crossing
- 2. Currently available (reported) information on failures is not sufficiently detailed and consistent to understand root causes
- Mudslides alone may not have caused the major displacements



Observations (cont'd)

- Coordination of response between companies and agencies was a success
- Sonar techniques worked well for initial assessment
- Pressure test with product was successfully used to assure integrity
- Incremental production loss due to pipeline damage was not necessarily large relative to other causes



Future Needs

- More accurate and detailed incident reporting
- Joint industry and/or regulatory effort to analyze Ivan failures
- Expand participation in API pipeline team
- Improved post-storm integrity plans
- Changes in standards or regulations???